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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please enter the Preliminary Amendment as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification on page 1, immediately following the title by inserting the following:

Related Applications

This application claims foreign priority benefits under Title 35, U.S.C., §119(a)-(d) or §365(a),(b) of PCT application no. PCT/EP98/08543, filed December 17, 1998, and foreign patent application no. GB 9726804.9, filed December 18, 1997, the entire contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.--

On page 67, line 21, please add --All references disclosed herein are incorporated by reference in their entirety.--

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 28, 40, 41, 43, 44, 45, and 47, before calculating the filing fee as follows:

- (Amended) The use as claimed in claim 2 [or 3] wherein said YAC clone is 4. 961_h_9, 942_c_3, 766_f_12, 731_c_7, 907_e_1, 752-g-8 or 717_d_3.
- (Amended) The use as claimed in claim 1 [any preceding claim] wherein said mood disorder or related disorder is selected from the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, version 4 (DSM-IV) taxonomy and includes mood disorders (296.XX, 462748.1

